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December 12, 1997

Mr. George W. Abbott, Esq. George W. Abbott, Chartered P.O. Box 98
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Re: Armstrong v. Church of Scientology of Texas, et al.

Our File No. SCI02-003

Dear Mr. Abbott:

After a review of the complaint in the referenced matter, I write to offer you and your client the opportunity to voluntarily dismiss the action without fear of facing a motion for sanctions under Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

By signing the complaint, you have certified that the allegations contained therein are true and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief after reasonable inquiry. Any reasonable inquiry would have disclosed, and I am confident we will prove without question, that Mr. Armstrong was not a resident of Nevada when the complaint was filed. Mr. Armstrong was, and still is, a fugitive from California where he last maintained his residence and has been residing since that time in Canada. Filing this action in Nevada is a transparent attempt to avail your client of the benefits of Nevada's statute of limitation for defamation. We believe that this motivation will be quite evident to any court considering the matter.

It is also apparent that you have failed to perform even the most rudimentary investigation into the background of your client and the litigation between him and my client. If you had, you would know that the statements at issue are neither defamatory nor unprivileged. I suggest that you very carefully review the allegations of your complaint, the history of the litigation between our respective clients and the elements of the tort of defamation. I am confident that such a review will lead you to the conclusion that the claims made in your complaint are unfounded and should be dismissed.

Mr. George W. Abbott, Esq. December 12, 1997 Page 2

Perhaps the most egregious aspect of your complaiant is that it revisits and attempts to recover for a "fifteen year[s]...course of conduct designed to destroy plaintiff Gerald Armstrong." I am flabbergasted that you could contend this in the face of the Settlement Agreement of December 1986, which expressly released all claims and which provided that the "slate was wiped clean." You should review the cross complaint filed by Mr. Armstrong in Church of Scientology International v. Gerald Armstrong, Marin County Superior Court Action No. 157680. That cross-complaint is based on facts virtually identical to those asserted in your complaint, and was disposed of on summary adjudication, thus barring future assertion of any claims arising out of the same set of facts under the principals of res judicata and collateral estoppel with which I assume you are familiar.

Further evidence of the lack of care taken in preparing and filing the complaint is found in your designation of Marin County Action No. 157680 as a "related case," something which even the most inexperienced attorney would realize is inappropriate. I recognize Mr. Armstrong's hand in the language of the complaint and can only conclude that you did not even review it before it was filed.

I hope you take this opportunity to fully analyze the facts and applicable law before continuing this ill-conceived and fatally flawed litigation.

Very truly yours,

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Re:

Armstrong v. Miscavige, et al. USDC for the District of Nevada No. CV-N-97-670-ECR (RAM)

Dear Mr. Wilson:

I write in response to three comments made by you in your letter of December 12.

1. You write that "Filing this action in Nevada is a transparent attempt to avail [my] client of the benefits of Nevada's statute of limitation for defamation."

Filing this action in Nevada has nothing to do with statutes of limitation. It has to do with Mr. Armstrong's residence. You will recall that in my February 12 and 14, 1997 letter, to which you responded on February 25, I offered your clients the opportunity to correct the defamatory statements in the 1993 black PR publication and the 1996 Cathy Norman letter. You will see in my letter the statement: "If an understanding cannot be reached, and correction of this situation cannot be achieved, Mr. Armstrong is prepared to file a lawsuit for, inter alia, defamation, intentional infliction of emotional distress...." Since your clients chose to attack me and Mr. Armstrong rather than correct the situation, I filed the complaint on his behalf. It is clear that if anyone actually needed a "transparent attempt" to avail himself of the Nevada statutes, he would not have written a letter like mine of February 12 and 14.

Mr. Armstrong left California early this year because of threats from the Scientology organization and his need to have some measure of safety from those threats. Because his movements since leaving California have been brought about by their own unlawful actions, Scientology's principles and agents have no legal or moral basis for complaining about where he resides. He has been for some considerable time a resident of Nevada.

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As you know, Mr. Armstrong received your clients' defamatory documents in late November, 1996, and these documents were disseminated by your clients only a little more than a month earlier. The cross-complaint was filed some years earlier. The principles of res judicata and collateral estoppel are therefore inapplicable. If, however, you have some facts to support your assertion that these principles do apply in this defamation case I am interested in examining them.

3. You write that you offer me and my client "the opportunity to voluntarily dismiss the action without fear of facing a motion..."

I understand by this, and by the rest of your letter, that you have accepted service of the summons and complaint on behalf of the six named defendants: David Miscavige, RTC, CSI, Sea Org, CS Texas and Cathy Norman. Is this correct?

Finally, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Court from December 2, 1997 ordering this action reassigned to the Honorable Edward C. Reed, Jr., and changing the case number to CV-N-97-670-ECR (RAM).

GEORGE W. ABBOTT, CHARTERED Law Offices

December 17, 1997

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Gerald Armstrong

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January 6, 1998



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Re: Armstrong v. Church of Scientology of Texas, et al.

Our File No. SCI02-003

Dear Mr. Abbott:

I write in response to your letter of December 17, apparently received in this office on December 24. I was out of the office during the holidays and unable to respond until today.

Your assumption that I have accepted service on behalf of any party to the referenced action is incorrect, unfounded and borders on the absurd. I thought it obvious that my letter was an offer of the opportunity to abandon this litigation before service of process was accomplished, in an effort to avoid the considerable expense that will accrue in defense of this unfounded action, an expense which you and your client will ultimately bear.

It is truly ludicrous for you to assert that Mr. Armstrong's flight from California was brought about by any unlawful actions of "Scientology's principals and agents." You know that Mr. Armstrong fled California to avoid being arrested for contempt of an order issued by the Superior Court of the State of California, County of Marin.

I fail to see what connection, if any, your letter of February 12 and 14 has to Mr. Armstrong's claimed residence in the State of Nevada. Perhaps you could enlighten me.

Very truly yours,

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Re:

CSI v. Armstrong

Marin County Superior Court Case #152229

Your Honor:

Enclosed herewith for your signature is a Bench Warrant which resulted from an Order of Contempt which Judge Thomas issued in the above case on February 20, 1998. The Order of Contempt is attached to the Bench Warrant as Exhibit A. This is the second Order of Contempt issued against the Defendant. Both contempt orders arose out of Armstrong's breach of on Order of Permanent Injunction entered by Judge Thomas on October 17, 1995. I used the same form of Bench Warrant as in the previous instance of contempt and enclose for your reference a copy of that Bench Warrant for comparison.

Assuming you find that the papers are in order, I would appreciate your executing the Bench Warrant and having your clerk inform my office of the same. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Gerald Armstrong c/o George Abbot, Esq. P.O. Box etc Minden, Nev Re

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Re.

Gerald Armstrong v. Church of Scientology, et al.

Our File No. 13860-0001

Dear Mr. Abbott:

Preliminarily, I note that Judge Reed has granted your request for enlargement of time of one (1) day within which to respond to our Motions to Dismiss. I have reviewed the file and note that you have not responded to our Motions as of this date. Also, no further requests for enlargement of time have been filed on behalf of your client. Given this, we will ask the Clerk to submit our Motions unopposed and seek dismissal of this suit.

I have spoken to my client pursuant to our conversations of Monday evening, May 11, 1998. We refuse to advise your client how he is to proceed in this case. Frankly, I cannot understand how he would be violating any court order by proving, i.e., that he is a resident of Nevada, that he is not a fugitive from justice or that the Church has contacts in this forum district. He entered into this Agreement and he must live with it. My client will not be drawn into a debate with your client nor will we advise him how to respond to our Motions. He is ably represented by fine coursel and you will, no doubt, competently advise him on how to proceed.

If there is any other matter with which I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely.

N. Patrick Flanagan

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Re:

Gerald Armstrong v. Church of Scientology, et al.

Our File No. 13860-0001

Dear Mr. Abbott:

My office has tried to reach you by telephone on numerous occasions but have been unsuccessful.

Pursuant to the Fed. R. Civ. P.26(f), the parties to a civil action are to meet and confer with each other and to exchange documents which each side presently possess with a view to resolve discovery disputes prior to trial. Please contact my office upon receipt of this letter so that we may be able to schedule a convenient date and time for the conference.

If there is any other matter with which I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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George Abbott, Esquire Post Office Box 98 Minden, Nevada 89423

Re:

Armstrong v. Church of Scientology International, et al Our File Number 13860-0001

Dear Mr. Abbott:

On Monday, July 20, 1998, I was informed by your secretary, Mary, that the August 3, 1998 date set for the Plaintiff's deposition was inconvenient because you were not in the State of Nevada. I asked Mary for acceptable dates and she promised to pass the request on inasmuch as you were on your way to California at the time. I called several times to propose alternate dates but did not receive a response until we spoke last Friday, July 24, 1998. During our lengthy conversation you stated several times that Mr. Armstrong would not appear for any deposition so long as the two arrest warrants were outstanding. Regrettably, this required me to file the Motion to Compel Discovery.

I have recently received Notices setting depositions of various individuals for the first two weeks of August. This is most curious given your previous claims of unavailability. Incredibility aside, these Notices are improper, vexatious and constitute a transparent attempt to avoid the Judge Reed's orders.

Judge Reed's Orders on the Defendants' Motions to Dismiss limit the issue to be determined at the August 20, 1998, hearing to Gerald Armstrong's residency. This is the sole support of his claim of subject matter jurisdiction. The individuals you have noticed for deposition have absolutely no evidence to give on the issue of Gerald Armstrong's residency in Nevada. First, David Miscavige

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has been dismissed out of this case by Judge Reed. He has absolutely no evidence as to the whereabouts of Mr. Armstrong. It is clear that, despite Judge Reed's order, Mr. Armstrong intends to continue to harass Mr. Miscavige. Second, there is no evidence that Mr. Rinder has any knowledge or information as to Mr. Armstrong's residency. Nothing in his declaration indicates he has any information about Mr. Armstrong's residency. There is no other information which would lead you to find he had any evidence to give on the issue before this Court. Third, you have noticed the deposition of "WGERT." Could you enlighten me as to whom that is?

The issue to be resolved is simple: Was Mr. Armstrong a Nevada resident at the time he filed this complaint? The best source is Mr. Armstrong himself and any documents (such as driver license applications) which support his position. That is the sole subject upon which we wish to depose Mr. Armstrong. No one you have noticed has any better information on that subject.

We demand withdrawal of the Notices of Depositions for Messrs. Miscavige, Rinder and WGERT by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 29, 1998. If these Notices are not withdrawn, we will have no choice but to obtain a protective order and seek sanctions to recover our related expenses.

Sincerely,

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Re:

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Our File No. 13860-0001

Dear Mr. Abboit:

Before my clients are required to incur additional substantial attorneys' fees and costs in preparation for the evidentiary hearing scheduled for August 20, 1998, I hereby request that you voluntarily dismiss this action forthwith. By now it is increasingly obvious that your client cannot meet his burden of showing that, as of November 24, 1997, the date on which his lawsuit was filed, he had in fact established a permanent domicile in the State of Nevada. Accordingly, the district court lacks subject matter jurisdiction over this lawsuit. Both your client and you have an obligation to withdraw claims once it becomes reasonably clear that they cannot be maintained.

We therefore urge you to dismiss this action now, before the remaining defendants are required to expend additional sums unnecessarily. If we are required to incur such expenses, we will strongly consider seeking sanctions in such amounts against the plaintiff and his counsel.

Sincerely,

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Re: Gerald Armstrong v. Church of Scientology, et al.

Our File No. 13860-0001

Dear Mr. Abbott:

Now that the magistrate judge has reaffirmed that Mr. Armstrong must appear for his deposition on Monday, August 24, 1998, we request that you confirm immediately that Mr. Armstrong, in fact, will appear and present himself for deposition on that date. Lead counsel for CSI and RTC have made plans to travel to Reno from out of state this weekend in order to prepare for and conduct the deposition. This will incur considerable amounts of fees and expenses for the defendants. If Mr. Armstrong does not appear, we will seek not only dismissal of the action, but sanctions including such fees and expenses.

Once again, we request that you dismiss this action forthwith, thereby making it unnecessary for the defendant to incur increasing fees and costs to defend this action. You certainly must be aware by now -- even if you were not previously aware -- that Mr. Armstrong cannot establish permanent domicile in Nevada in November 1997, or for that matter at any time. Accordingly, it is incumbent upon you as an officer of the court to withdraw this case.

We request that you inform us by 3:00 p.m. this afternoon that you have voluntarily dismissed this action. In the alternative, please confirm to us by that time that Mr. Armstrong will appear for deposition at 10:00 a.m. Monday, August 24, 1998.

Sincerely, Trong & Chusefor

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August 27, 1998

VIA U.S. MAIL AND FACSIMILE: 702-782-8362

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Re:

Gerald Armstrong v. Church of Scientology, Int'l. et al.

Case No. CV-N-97-00670 ECR(RAM)

Our File No. 13860-0001

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for your records is the Stipulated Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order signed by you on behalf of the Plaintiff and myself on behalf of the Defendants (DKT # 39). I direct your attention to the second page of this Order, subpart two, which states, inter alia:

> Inasmuch as the motions challenge the jurisdiction of the court not only over the subject matter of the lawsuit, but over the defendants personally, defendants submit it would be unduly burdensome to require them to engage in initial disclosures and discovery while the motions are still pending. Indeed, no party has commenced discovery of any kind. While plaintiff, of course, disagrees with defendants['] position as to the merits of the pending motions, plaintiff does agree that disclosure and discovery shall abide decision of the pending motions.

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Page 3 of the Stipulated Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order bears what appears to be your signature and that of the U.S. Magistrate Judge. I hope that clarifies the issue of a stay of discovery in this case pending resolution of our dispositive motions.

Should you have any other questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact me, in writing, at your convenience.

Sincerely,

N. Patrick Flanagan

NPF:mas Enclosure

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(via facsimile only)

Hon. Robert McQuaid, Jr.

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N. Patrick Flanagan Esquire U.S. DISTRICT COURT Nevada Bar No. 952 DISTRICT OF NEVADA Hale Lane Peek Dennison Howard and Anderson RECEIVED 100 West Liberty Street, Tenth Floor P.O. Box 3237 Reno, Nevada 89505 Telephone: (702) 327-3000 CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT Attorneys for Defendant Church of Scientology International, Religious Technology Center, Church of Scientology of Texas and Cathy Norman

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

GERALD ARMSTRONG,

Plaintiff.

VS.

DAVID MISCAVIGE and CATHY NORMAN, individuals; CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY INTERNATIONAL, a California corporation; the RELIGIOUS TECHNOLOGY CENTER, a California corporation; the SEA ORGANIZATION, a California based unincorporated entity; and the CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY OF TEXAS, a Texas corporation.

Defendants.

STIPULATED DISCOVERY PLAN AND SCHEDULING ORDER

(Special Scheduling Review Requested)

CASE NO. CV-N-97-00670 ECR (RAM)



The Plaintiff and counsel for Defendants, Church of Scientology International, Religious Technology Center, Cathy Norman and Church of Scientology of Texas, have conducted a conference in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f) and discussed the required topics. Defendants David Miscavige and Sea Organization, not having been served and therefore not having appeared, did not attend the conference Pursuant to LR 26-1(d) and (e), the parties submit the following Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order:

Settlement. The parties are not optimistic that this case will be settled in the near future. The parties do not, at this time, request a settlement conference at the Court's earliest convenience to assist in the early resolution of this case.



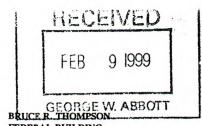
 Disclosures and Discovery to Abide Court's Resolution of Pending Motions to Dismiss. On
April 20, 1998, Defendants Church of Scientology International, Religious Technology Center, Cathy
Norman and Church of Scientology of Texas filed their Motions to Dismiss Complaint for Lack of Subject
Matter Jurisdiction; lack of Personal Jurisdiction; Improper Venue; and Because Plaintiff is a Fugitive from
Justice. The motions have been fully submitted. The Court has stated that it "has reviewed the said motions
and they appear to be facially well taken." Inasmuch as the motions challenge the jurisdiction of the court
not only over the subject matter of this lawsuit, but over the defendants personally, defendants submit that
it would be unduly burdensome to require them to engage in initial disclosures and discovery while the
motions are still pending. Indeed, no party yet has commenced discovery of any kind. While plaintiff, of
course, disagrees with defendants position as to the merits of the pending motions, plaintiff does agree that
disclosure and discovery shall abide decision of the pending motions. In the event that the motions to
dismiss are denied in whole or in part, the parties shall submit an amended Stipulated Discovery Plan and
Scheduling Order, setting forth specific calendar dates in accordance and consistent with the stipulations
set forth below in this document.

- Initial Disclosures. In the event the motions to dismiss are decided in whole or in part, the LR 26-1(a)2 Initial Disclosures will be due fifteen (15) days after the date of such order. The parties will serve the initial disclosures in accordance with Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 4. <u>Discovery Deadline</u>. In the event the motions to dismiss are denied in whole or in part, discovery shall be completed by 180 days after such order.
- 5. <u>Limitations on Discovery.</u> In the event the motions to dismiss are denied in whole or in partitle parties believe that they can complete discovery within the ten deposition limit per side and within the forty interrogatory limit. Depositions shall be recorded by video graphic and stenographic means.
- 6. Amending Pleadings and Adding Parties. If the motions to dismiss are denied in whole of in part, the deadline for amending pleadings and adding parties shall be 90 days after such order.
- The first disclosures. If the motions to dismiss are denied in whole or in part, experitisclosure shall be due no later than 120 days after such order and rebuttal expert disclosure shall be due no later than 30 days thereafter.

 Dispositive Motions. The par 	ties request that the deadline for filing dispositive motions be
extended to 30 days after the discovery dead	line. $2(\sqrt{5})$
9. <u>Pretrial Order</u> . The parties r	equest that the deadline for filing the Joint Pretrial Order be
extended to 30 days after decision of the dis-	positive motions or further order of the court.
DATED this 62 day of July, 1998.	N. Patrick Flanagan, Esq. Hale Lane Peek Dennison Howard and Anderson 100 West Liberty Street, 10th Elgor P.O. Box 3237 Reno, Nevada 89505 Telephone: (702) 327-3000
	Attorneys for Defendants Church of Scientology International, Religious Technology Center, Church of Scientology of Texas and Cathy Norman
DATED this day of July, 1998.	George W. Abbott, Esq. 2245-B Meridian Boulevard P.O. Box 98 Minden, Nevada 89423 Telephone: (702) 782-2302 Attorney for Plaintiff
	DATED: 7-8-98 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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February 9, 1999

Ms. Cathy A. Catterson, Clerk Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals P. O. Box 193939 San Francisco, California 94119-3939

Re: Armstrong v. Miscavige, et al, No. 98-17024

Dear Ms. Catterson:

Please file the enclosed document entitled, Plaintiff-Appellant's Motion to Permit the Parties to Consolidate Their Respective Briefs on Appeal, Cross-Appeal, in the above-captioned matter.

An extra copy is enclosed to be file-stamped and returned to this office in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Songe W. Abbott

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Enclosure



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